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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO THE ACTION

Sir:

In the Office Action of November 26, 2008, it was indicated that claims 1-11 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-12 of copending patent application No 10/583,727 (Patent No.7,464,628 issued on December 16, 2008).

In response to the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection, submitted herewith is a terminal disclaimer for Patent No.7,464,628.

The application is now in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.